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1. APPROXIMATELY A MONTH AGO BAGHDAD PRESS REPORTED THAT IRAQI DEPUTY IRRIGATION MINISTER AFIF ISSA AL-RAWI WAS VISITING MOSCOW TO FINALIZE CONTRACTS FOR A NUMBER OF PROJECTS, INCLUDING MOSUL DAM. PRESS DECEMBER 12 REPORTED RETURN OF DEPTUTY MINISTER AFTER HAVING SIGNED CONTRACTS WITH SOVIET ORGANIZATIONS FOR FOUR IRRIGATION PROJECTS WITH TOTAL VALUE OF OVER ONE BILLION DOLLARS. MOSUL DAM WAS NOT LISTED AS ONE OF THESE, AND NO MENTION WAS MADE OF THE MOSUL DAM PROJECT.

2. IN FIRST HALF OF 1976 GOI INVITED INTERNATIONAL TENDERS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE MOSUL DAM. JAPANESE, FRENCH, WEST GERMAN, YUGOSLAV AND RUSSIAN FIMS WERE AMONG THE BIDDERS. DECISION OF THE GOI TO DISCUSS THE PROJECT WITH SOVIET ORGANIZATIONS WAS GENERALLY INTERPRETED LOCALLY AS GOI REJECTION OF OTHER BIDDERS; HOWEVER, AS PROJECT NOT LISTED AMONG THOSE SIGNED IN MOSCOW RECENTLY, JAPANESE AND OTHER BIDDERS MAY NOW RENEW EFFORTS TO SECURE PROJECT CONTRACT.

3. MEANWHILE, GOI HAS STARTED CONSTRUCTION OF ANCILLARY WORKS FOR MOSUL DAM, INCLUDING ROAD TO SITE, ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION LINE TO SITE, AND SITE RESIDENCES AND HEALTH FACILITIES FOR WORKERS.

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4. LATEST DESIGN PARAMETERS OF THE DAM ARE AS FOLLOWS:
ROCKFILL DAM WITH HEIGHT 135 METERS AND WIDTH 3,500
METERS: STORAGE CAPACITY OF 10.73 TRILLION CUBIC
METERS: AND DISCHARGE CAPACITY OF 17,000 CU. METERS
PER SECOND. DISCHARGE WILL BE THROUGH SIX EIGHT-METER-
WIDE GATES AND FIVE CONCRETE TUNNELS 9.4 METERS IN
DIAMETER. HYDRO-ELECTRIC CAPACITY IS EXPECTED TO BE
600 MEGAWATTS.
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